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SUBJECT: MEXICAN PRESS COVERAGE MARSHALL GREEN MANILA SPEECH

1. MAJOR MEXICAN DAILIES CARRIED ASSOCIATED PRESS RELEASE ON MARSHALL GREEN MANILA SPEECH OF JAN. 27. MOST STRIKING WAS EXCELSIOR FRONT-PAGE BANNER HEADLINE ENTITLED "MARSHALL GREEN URGES LIMIT POPULATION GROWTH HERE." HERALDO ALSO PROVIDED FRONT-PAGE TREATMENT WITH HEADLINE "U.S. WORRIED BY MEXICAN POPULATION GROWTH.".

2. IN ARTICLE IDENTIFYING GREEN AS FIRST U.S. DIPLOMAT
TO BE COORDINATOR FOR POPULATION AFFAIRS, GREEN WAS QUOTED
AS STATING THAT THE RAPIDLY INCREASING MEXICAN POPULATION
HAS "VERY SERIOUS IMPLICATION FOR THE U.S." HAVING NOTED
THATTHE MEDIAN AGE IN MEXICO IS 15 AND THE ANNUAL POPULATION GROWTH RATE 3.6 PERCENT, GREEN WENT ON TO STATE
THAT "WE HAVE A SERIOUS PROBLEM IN MEXICO WITH RESPECT
TO THE ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS CAUSED BY UNDERDEVELOPMENT
AND UNEMPLOYMENT." GREEN REPORTEDLY ADDED THAT THE
PROBLEM MUST RECEIVE ATTENTION BEFORE IT BECOMES
VERY SERIOUS.

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3. GREEN ALSO REMARKED THAT THE ECONOMIC DESPERATION

RESULTING FROM POPULATION PRESSURE COULD LEAD TO THE INDISCRIMINATE USE OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS BY THE DEVELOPING WORLD.

4. COMMENT: PAPERS ALSO NOTED THAT GREEN HAD VISITED MEXICO BEFORE CURRENT ASIA TOUR. AS VERY NEGATIVE OFFICIAL REACTION HAS ALREADY BEGUN (REPORTED SEPTEL), EMBASSY REQUESTS TELEGRAPHED COPY TEXT OF MANILA SPEECH.

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